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A PROPHETIC VOICE "CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS"
GERALD B. WINROD, Editor

LET US PRAY . . .

EVIL days have come upon our Country. We have been caught in a whirlpool of vicious internationalism.

It seems a pity that such a wonderful Nation, so rich in natural resources and spiritual blessings, should be debauched by the forces which are bringing ruin to other parts of the world. Without faith in God and confidence in our prophetic destiny, the future would be hopelessly dark.

Being essentially a constructive people, it is difficult for many of our citizens to realize that there are human beings in the world whose sole motive is to destroy. The destructionist viewpoint is simply beyond the comprehension of most Christian Americans.

We dare not close our eyes to the fact that an *international destructionist* program has become firmly entrenched in the United States. There are destroyers in our midst who would tear down our homes, churches, institutions and system of representative government. Their ultimate objective is *physical violence*. They would introduce anarchy into the United States. They would do here what they have done in Spain, Russia and other countries!

Our suffering does NOT come from natural disorders. Destructive agencies, international in character, have been released upon the American people. Our misery results from planning on the part of an international wrecking crew.

United prayer among Bible-believing Christians is urgently needed. Present conditions demand an immediate turning to God. "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land." II Chronicles 7:14.

We need in our Country today, the attitude toward God, which Abraham Lincoln manifested at the time of his departure for Washington from Springfield, Illinois, when he was elected President of the United States. In a farewell speech, to a group of personal friends, he said:

"Today, I leave you. I go to assume a task more difficult than that which devolved upon George Washington. Unless the great God, Who inspired him, shall be with and inspire me, I must fail; but, if the same Omnipotent Mind, and Almighty Arm, that directed and protected him, shall guide and support me, I shall not fail; I shall succeed."

"Let us pray that the God of our fathers will not forsake us now. To Him, I command you all. Permit me to ask that, with equal sincerity and faith, you will invoke His wisdom and guidance for me — the Great God, Who can stay here with you, and go

there with me, and be everywhere for good."

This is the kind of statesmanship that inspires public confidence. Political expediency meant nothing to the great Lincoln. He was concerned primarily to know the will of God.

During the tragic days of the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln called a Special Day of Fasting and Prayer. His public statement issued at that time, said in part:

"Now, therefore, in compliance with the request, and fully concurring in the views of the Senate, I do by this my proclamation designate and set apart Thursday, the 30th day of April, 1863, as a day of national humiliation, fasting, and prayer. And I do hereby request all the people to abstain on that day from their ordinary secular pursuits, and to unite at their several places of public worship and their respective homes in keeping the day holy to the Lord and devoted to the humble discharge of the religious duties proper to that solemn occasion.

"All this being done in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the divine teachings that the united cry of the nation will be heard on high and answered with blessings no less than the pardon of our national sins and the restoration of our now divided and suffering country to its former happy condition of unity and peace."

Less than three months from that date, the battle of Gettysburg was fought — a struggle which marked the beginning of the end of the Civil War.

History is replete with instances of supernatural intervention when people have sincerely prostrated themselves before God in times of peril. A beautiful illustration of this is found recorded in the twenty-third chapter of Second Kings . . .

Josiah went to the throne of Judah in an hour of great apostasy. Sickened with the conditions that he inherited, he began at once to rebuild the moral and spiritual foundations of his people. Under his reign, the kingdom experienced a genuine revival.

The temple was repaired. The law of Moses was found and the people were called to Jerusalem where it was publicly read. Vessels used in connection with Baal worship were destroyed. Sacred groves were destroyed, where filthy practices occurred in connection with the worship of pagan deities.

The idolatrous priesthood was abolished. A solemn covenant was made between the people and Jehovah. The Passover was restored and celebrated in unexampled magnificence. Concerning Josiah, the record says: "And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the Lord with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him". (II Kings 23:25)

The whole house of Judah passed through the purifying fires of a spiritual renaissance under Josiah. The hearts of the people were turned toward God.

America needs such a visitation today, if a catastrophe, from which the Nation can not hope to recover, is to be averted. The despilers have thrown twelve million men out of work by crossing the wires of international finance. Many of these discouraged and downhearted people are becoming victims of Communist propaganda.

A subterranean fire is burning under our feet. Left-wing radicalism is growing at an alarming pace within our borders.

On the other hand, an ugly war spirit is beginning to develop among the American people. It started in October of last year when the President delivered his Chicago *war talk* attacking Japan, Italy and Germany, but failed to say one word of criticism against Communism. This left little doubt that the Roosevelt Administration expects to do its utmost to pull the United States into the coming struggle on the side of Soviet Russia.

No one was surprised when C. A. Hathaway, editor of the Communist *Daily Worker*, stepped to the radio and praised the President's speech, saying that all Reds "whole-heartedly" endorsed it.

Let Christians throughout the Nation be responsible for the releasing of new spiritual energies. Let a great wave of prayer ascend from the hearts of God's people. Let us pray that our Country shall NOT yield to the enemy within our gates. Let us pray that we shall NOT be drawn into war with any external power.

While other countries prepare for a coming conflict, let the people of the United States resolve firmly, by the Grace of God, that not another drop of American blood shall flow on foreign soil!

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Philip Dru: Administrator

Gerald B. Winrod, D. D.

THE current issue of a certain secular magazine tells about the young lawyers who shape the left-wing policies of the Roosevelt Administration from behind the scenes.

These men, almost without exception, are disciples of Felix Frankfurter, having had their brains warped through radical teachings at the Harvard Law School.

Back in December 1917 Theodore Roosevelt wrote Frankfurter as follows: "I thank you for your frank letter. I answer it at length because you have taken, and are taking on behalf of the (Wilson) Administration, an attitude which seems to me to be fundamentally that of Trotsky and the other Bolshevik leaders in Russia; an attitude which may be fraught with mischief to this country."

While contemporary writers have had much to say about the Communistic grist which these radicals are continuously turning out of their legislative mills, no one has yet shown that their whole program is being fashioned according to an occult blueprint. . . .

A Strange Code Book

Colonel E. Mandell House was the mystery man of the Wilson Administration. His influence over the wartime President was regarded, in those days, as being well nigh hypnotic. This matter is being openly aired in "Woodrow Wilson — Disciple of Revolution", a new book by J. C. Wise which is being introduced with the approval of General Harbord and Ex-Senator Pepper.

In the year 1912, House published an occult tome entitled "Philip Dru: Administrator", which may well be called THE CODE BOOK of the Roosevelt Administration. Practically everyone of the radical legislative policies, shackled upon the American people during the last five years, will be found in this book — page and paragraph!

The New Deal may have been new to the American people, but it was not new to occultists capable of understanding the Delphic language of the man who has been called "Woodrow Wilson's Holy Monk".

House withheld his name from *Philip Dru: Administrator*. The book was published anonymously. However, a careful check of the records at the Congressional Library in Washington, shows unmistakably that he was its true Author.

"Second Civil War"

The book is undoubtedly one of the most inflammatory pieces of literature ever struck from a printing press. It anticipates a bloody civil war in the United States, to be followed by the establishment of a dictatorship, in which the American people will be reduced to a state of serfdom.

After Colonel House's hero, Philip Dru, drenches the Nation in human blood, our Constitutional democracy is replaced by a system of one man government — according to the story. Dru becomes the Nation's *Administrator*! Under his regime, the whole social order is remodeled. The change involves the enactment of a series of legislative measures EXACTLY LIKE THOSE INTRODUCED BY THE NEW DEAL.

From all indications, Frankfurter's brain trusters have used "*Philip Dru: Administrator*" as their text-book from the very beginning, in drafting left-wing legislation.

When one finishes reading this book, he has a feeling that Colonel House is either (1) a prophet of uncanny ability to ferret out the Nation's future or (2) he has known for many years the inner workings of a secret plot which is expected to eventually sweep away the cherished Constitutional liberties of the American people.

It will be recalled that the day finally came when Wilson pulled away from the Colonel. The man of mystery was denied the privilege of even entering the White House. He is reported to have later lamented that he had not even been allowed to attend the President's funeral.

Is it possible that Woodrow Wilson learned who was the true Author of *Philip Dru: Administrator*, after it was too late to correct the abuses which had been perpetrated through his Administration?

House has always been a firm supporter of Roosevelt. During the 1932 primaries, he made many public state-

ments advocating the President's election. As soon as Roosevelt was nominated at Chicago, he flew by plane to see House in Massachusetts.

A New York attorney who is intimately associated with the 78-year-old Colonel said a few days ago: "Colonel House maintains, as he has always maintained, close contact at Washington. What is equally or even more important is that he maintains the same sort of connection with every major capital in the world. . . . There is no mystery in the fact that a constant pilgrimage of diplomats, ministers and cabinet officers passes through his study, bringing to him the news and the impressions which they have gathered first hand in every part of the world."

Bloodshed Near Buffalo

That Wilson's inner circle of advisers repeatedly took advantage of him, is a well known fact. That they prevailed upon him to adopt radical policies which brought great harm upon the Country, is equally well known. This was especially true of our money system. It was under Wilson that the right to control the Nation's money was taken out of the hands of Congress and turned over to private international banking interests.

The fictional name DRU is believed to have originated from WOODROW and HOUSE. . . .

Colonel House calls his book *the story of America's second civil war*. He pictures a bitter struggle between business men on one hand and laboring men on the other.

The transition involves a bloody war, with the regular troops opposed by a radical labor army. Philip Dru is the leader of the revolutionary forces. His victory brings Constitutional Democracy to an end and results in the establishment of a dictatorship in this part of the world.

House tells the story at the end of chapter 22: "Dru's soldiers saw that victory was theirs, and, maddened by the lust of war, they drove the Government forces back, killing and crushing the seething and helpless mass that was now in hopeless confusion. . . .

"Of the enemy forty thousand were dead and two hundred and ten thousand

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and were wounded with seventy-five thousand missing. Of prisoners Dru had captured three hundred and seventy-five thousand.

"Philip's casualties were twenty-three thousand dead and one hundred and ten thousand wounded.

"It was a holocaust, but the war was indeed ended."

For months prior to the final clash, which resulted in the rape of the Nation, Dru had chosen Wisconsin as his proving ground because this State was said to be more favorable to his radicalism than any other part of the Country. He established personal headquarters at Madison.

"He himself trained the men in his immediate locality, and he also had the organization throughout the Country trained, but without guns. The drilling was done with wooden guns, each man hewing out a stick to the size and shape of a modern rifle. At his home, carefully concealed, each man had his rifle."

The deciding battle took place in the vicinity of Buffalo, New York.

Laboring Men Become Victims

Business men are pictured as *human devils* all the way through the book. They are singled out as a class worthy of destruction. Odium rests upon the man who, perchance, happens to be in position to provide employment for others.

The American system of government can be overthrown only if private enterprise is destroyed. When business is healthy, jobs are plentiful. Business must be reduced to a state of utter helplessness, if laboring men are to be thrown out of work in sufficient numbers to breed a revolution.

Nothing is said in the book about laboring men becoming pawns in the hands of superhuman monsters, when they yield to anti-business propaganda. House omits all reference to the fact that in times of revolution, the Philip Drus push the workers out in the front ranks to do the dirty work, the bloody work!

Of course, the mysterious Colonel, having lived all his life in ease and luxury, could not be expected to have the viewpoint of the common man. According to *Philip Dru: Administrator*, labor is a fertile field in which the seeds of dissension are to be carefully sown. Workers are to become the tools of human beasts who are obsessed with Messianic complexes. Nothing is to be done to improve living conditions of the common man until after the *blood bath* occurs. Then, if fortunate enough to live through the reign of terror, he is to be given the honor of becoming a slave to a Philip Dru or a Trotsky.

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everything. His passions are to be stirred against *the system!* But in the end, he is to be "the goat"! House shows himself, from the first page to the last, to be an enemy of the American social order. According to his book, laboring men are to be carefully led into a state of revolt — and revolution. Meanwhile, business men are to be made the scapegoat.

Venom For Business Men

Recent radio speeches by Secretary Ickes, Robert H. Jackson and Roosevelt, in which business has been viciously attacked, sound like chapters taken from this book. The policy of the Roosevelt Administration to keep twelve million men unemployed, until such time as labor can be completely demoralized, is also in keeping with the plan outlined in *Philip Dru: Administrator*.

Then the mysterious Colonel proceeds to tell how a secret "league" of one thousand business men conspires to take over the Government. He asks the reader to believe that one thousand men could guard such a secret against all "leaks" so as to be able to eventually put their man, a Governor Rockland, in the White House.

Subtly, the Author introduces his own name in the story at this point, by describing the meeting place of the leaders of industry, as being a hotel called, the "*Mandell House*".

After Rockland becomes President, the conspiracy of the business men is exposed through the fantastic use of a "dictograph" and Philip Dru rises suddenly to power on the tide of public reaction.

This is just about as easy to believe as the recent unfounded and unproved statements by Ickes, Jackson and Roosevelt, that business men plotted the present recession in order to conquer the New Deal. But the dictograph story serves the Colonel's purpose in creating a fictional uprising against the American form of government.

Congressman O'Connor, a Democrat, expressed the feeling of resentment which the public as a whole feels, regarding the spiteful attitude of the Roosevelt Administration toward business, when he attacked Jackson's speech by saying:

"When the fully elected representatives of the people are working day and night to steer the Ship of State through troubled waters, it is most unfortunate that one of the deck hands should start rocking the boat."

Employing sarcasm to drive home his point, Mr. O'Connor continued:

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turers have been laying off tens of thousands of their employees in spite of the increased demand for their products.

"Of course the retail stores did less business during the recent holidays than in 1936 because they just refused to sell their knicknacks to the public.

"Of course the garment manufacturers in my town have laid off the needle workers in my district because they do not like the style of dress of official Washington."

Making the Rich Pay

Through all his struggles in rising to power, Dru has a faithful woman helper at his side, the daughter of rich parents, whom he has succeeded in converting to Socialism. She is a "social worker and writer in settlement work".

At the proper moment, Dru has Gloria begin "proselyting the rich", raising large sums of money to help him "accomplish a revolutionary adjustment of society".

She experiences remarkable success, and the Colonel's hero soon has inexhaustible sums of money at his disposal. In New Deal parlance, she is influencing business men "to pay for their own funeral".

Her strategy compares favorably with that of Jim Farley who sells books autographed by Roosevelt, to business concerns, for fabulous sums of money. By this plan, a piece of literature produced at a cost of four to five dollars is sold, by New Dealers, for ten or fifteen thousand dollars.

Business men are coerced into making the purchases, and New Deal conferences are filled to the bursting point. House explains that "the amassing" of a great "corruption fund is secret and simple."

Wilson's *mystery man* showed back in 1912, that he knew what was coming upon Russia. He was evidently aware that the Russian people were to be slaughtered in the worst spasm of cruelty the world has ever known, for we find him saying:

"Sometimes in his day dreams, Dru thought of Russia in its vastness, of the ignorance and hopeless outlook of the people, and wondered when her deliverance would come. There was, he knew, great work for someone to do in that despotic land."

Someone did that work . . . namely, a group of vicious internationalists. These destroyers were led by Trotsky (real Jewish name Bronstein), Lenin (real name Zederbaum), Litvinoff

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(real name Finkelstein) and a few others.

Moreover, it has been stated on the floor of the United States Congress, that a certain international banking concern furnished the money to finance the Russian revolution — these funds having been deposited to Trotsky's credit in one of their branch banks in Sweden.

Later, a member of this same international banking group came to America and wrote the Federal Reserve Act, which House is reported to have influenced Wilson to put through the Congress. The Colonel became known in 1913 as "the guardian angel of the Federal Reserve bill".

The day Wilson signed this measure, December 23, 1913, the right of the American people to control and regulate their money through Congressmen, was taken away . . . and turned over to the internationalists. It has been charged that these internationalists, through inflating and deflating American currency, have thrown twelve million men out of work and paved the way for a bloody Philip Dru revolution in this part of the world.

God help our people to awaken before it is too late. . . .

*God of our Fathers,
Be with us yet,
Lest we forget,
Lest we forget.*

Destroying the Constitution

Dru was nurtured in the home of Polish Jews on the East Side of New York. Significantly, Gloria says to him on one occasion: "And so, Philip, it is decided that you will go back to the East Side (New York's Jewish section) to your destiny, and I will remain here, there and everywhere, Newport, New York, Palm Beach, London, carrying on my work as I see it."

A little later, in the book, we read: "In one of their many conferences she was able to tell him that in the future, abundant financial backing was assured for any Cause recommended by either of them as being worthy."

After the revolution, Dru immediately sets up his dictatorship. As previously indicated, there is an exact similarity between the measures which he inaugurates and those introduced by the New Deal.

Take for instance Dru's attitude toward the Constitution. He is quoted as saying virtually what Roosevelt said, in his famous "horse and buggy" statement. His words parallel favorably with the views of our Brain Trustees:

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Changing Congress

The matter of the "lame duck" sessions of Congress, established by the framers of the Constitution to cushion sudden changes in the personnel of national legislative bodies — a system recently abolished by certain men who call themselves *liberals*, was condemned by Dru as follows:

"Our House of Representatives is supposed to be our popular law-making body, and yet its members do not convene until a year and one month from the time they are elected."

Loaning Money

The recent plan of the Government making extensive loans directly to the people, involving the taking over of real property and other things given as security, was anticipated back in 1912 when the Colonel placed these words in Dru's mouth:

"I am also planning to inaugurate cooperative loan societies in every part of the Union, and I have appointed a commissioner to instruct the people as to their formation and conduct and to explain their beneficial results."

Pensions

With the coming of the financial stringency resulting from the planned depression and subsequent disorders, the matter of caring for the aged has become a problem of paramount importance. This development was anticipated by Dru:

"Under my personal direction, I am having prepared an old-age pension law and also a laborers' insurance law, covering loss in case of illness, incapacity and death."

Relief

The matter of the Government setting up a permanent relief plan, whereby millions are kept personally dependent upon the politicians in power — an arrangement unknown prior to the advent of the New Deal, was outlined in this book, back in 1912:

"And if no work is to be had, I shall arrange that every indigent person that is honest and industrious shall be given employment by the Federal, State, County or Municipal Government as the case may be."

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try, through "Wages and Hours" legislation, like that now pending in Congress, was introduced as a part of the Dru dictatorship:

"Furthermore, it shall in the future be unlawful for any employer of labor to require more than eight hours work a day, and then for only six days a week. If an attempt is made to reduce wages by shortening hours or for any other cause, the employee shall have the right to go before the magistrate and demand that the amount of wage be adjusted there."

Control of Physicians

The plan, now being talked of, governmental control of the medical profession, and regimentation of doctors, originated not with Brain Trustees, but Philip Dru:

"There is another matter to which I shall give my earnest attention and that is the reformation of the study and practice of medicine. . . . A large part of our medical schools and colleges are entirely unfit for the purposes intended, and each year they grant diplomas to hundreds of ignorant young men and women and license them to prey upon a more or less helpless people. The number of physicians per inhabitant is already ridiculously large, many times more than is needed, or than other countries where the average of the professions ranks higher, deem necessary."

The family doctor who is today becoming alarmed over the new proposal to regulate his personal life, his pay, and routine of daily duties, has a right to know the source of the plan.

Taking Over Communications

The New Deal objective of taking over the telegraph, telephone and other methods of communication, was a vital part of the Dru program as outlined in 1912:

"Certain of the public corporations, Dru insisted, should be taken over bodily by the National Government and accordingly the Postmaster General was instructed to negotiate with the telegraph and telephone companies for their properties at a fair valuation."

Holding Companies

Roosevelt's recent attack on "holding companies" is likewise a part of Dru's scheme of dictatorship:

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WHEN I was eighteen years old, working in a Cuban shoe factory, a group of young Communists came and asked if I would like to receive higher wages.

They said all I would have to do is to become a Communist and help them in a strike throughout the Island that was to reach into all factories. Wages were low at that time.

Without even knowing what Communism stood for, I joined them. We won the strike. I soon became one of the main red leaders and within a few weeks was made secretary of the young Communist organization of Cuba.

Spiritual Light Breaks

One day as I was walking down a street of Havana my attention was attracted by a large tent. So that evening, having noticed a sign that the admission was free, I went to see what I supposed would be a show or circus. But to my surprise, there were no animals or clowns or other performers.

The platform was in the shape of a pulpit on which these words were printed: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever". I thought how can that be — Jesus Who died over nineteen hundred years ago, the same Jesus Christ today! It was all new to me. Truly these people must be crazy!

Another sign bore these words: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." I was as ignorant of the Gospel, as if I had lived in the darkest part of Africa. I was puzzled by the whole routine of the service.

The last mentioned sign amazed me. "Come unto me!" Unto whom? "I will give you rest!" I wasn't tired. For the first time, spiritual thoughts began to be quickened in my corroded brain.

Mother in Danger

I knew well the motto of Communism, that "Religion is Opium to the People". Suddenly my soul flamed with desire to combat the religious activities carried on in that Gospel tent.

So, a few days later, I filled several bottles with gasoline and igniting the wicks, threw them on to the tent, but to my surprise every one of them went out before reaching the canvas. I understand now why the scheme failed — the evangelist was in the will of God and I was out of the will of God. In every instance, the fire would die before the bottles could explode.

One night however, I sneaked around

back of the tent and with some alcohol and several newspapers, attempted to set it on fire but the flame was soon extinguished. I tried in other ways to burn the tent but failed in each instance.

On another occasion, during a preaching service, I threw a flaming bottle and it hit one of the center poles, falling in a chair which my mother had just vacated. When I reached home that night my Mother said, "Son, someone almost killed me this evening".

My blood became hot in my veins and I was vexed to think that this Communist act against religion had almost killed my Mother. She continued saying: "Someone threw a bomb and it fell within four or five inches of my



Dr. Winrod, Mr. Marquez and Evangelist Pain

head; what sorrow that we in our Country, have people who would do such things."

Truly God was speaking to me through my Mother. She did not know that I had thrown the bomb. But I continued to violently oppose the evangelistic meetings night after night, for many weeks. I did many things, such as publicly scoffing, threatening to cut the ropes, turning bags of cats loose in the services and other vicious acts. The tent and the preacher became an obsession to me.

Vicarious Suffering

I can look back and see many ways in which God was trying to win this heart of mine, at that time. One day the Cuban police finally found where I

lived and came searching for me. I was not there. I was at work, but there was a real woman there, my good Mother!

The officers found Communistic documents which placed me in a most dangerous position. My mother tried to save my life but she found the police knew everything about me and even more than she herself knew. They had proof that I was the Secretary of the Young Communist league of Cuba. They knew my name was Alejandro Marquez.

When Mother refused to tell where I was, they took her to prison. In jail, she was beaten almost to death on the second day, and had to be taken to the hospital in a dying condition. Because of the love in her heart for me, she was willing to suffer in my place, even as Jesus suffered for the sins of the unjust.

Truly I was a coward. I pretended to be brave, but at heart I was a miserable wretch, hiding behind the skirts of my dear Mother. I could have presented myself to the authorities and taken the penalty that was due me, but my conscience was so seared that I preferred to remain out of sight. Communism had poisoned my soul and warped my brain.

After fifteen days, Mother was able to leave the prison but had to pay a fine of fifty dollars of her hard earned money. Thus she saved my life for if I had been taken prisoner in those days, I surely would have been killed, because they had plenty to condemn me since I was a terrorist, revolutionist and an official of the Communist Party.

Firing at Reverend Pain

I worked in various ways, often with secrecy, in continuing the persecution of those in charge of the Gospel tent. I was determined to take the preacher out of the pulpit and use the tent for making Communist speeches. But one day the tent suddenly disappeared!

Finally I located it in Vedado, another residential section of Havana. I took eighteen of my choicest and most confidential Communist comrades, and we swooped down upon the place, heavily armed.

Rev. Arthur W. Pain was preaching and mentioned in his message that there was a place in the world where Christians were not welcome. I knew he was referring to Russia, the Country that I truly worshipped. So without another thought I pulled my revolver and fired six shots at Mr. Pain as he stood in the pulpit.

But thank God, the faithful Minister of the Gospel was protected! Although I was a crack shot with a pistol, and I was at the edge of the tent, only a short distance from Mr. Pain, for some reason my aim was unsteady and I missed him.

I have much for which to thank God! Time and space do not permit me to

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mention the many ways in which His Divine power kept me from becoming a murderer, condemned to death or life in prison.

My comrades and I dashed away from the tent but one of my closest Communist friends was taken prisoner by the police. To be thus captured during the Machado regime usually meant certain death, but to my great surprise my comrade was released. The officers only took his name and address.

I saw him a few hours later, and after a brief conversation he went on to his home. His mother, a widow with only one son, was standing in the door as the boy came down the street, but to our horror three secret police fired on the young man of nineteen, and shot him to death.

The death of my comrade, whom I loved so greatly, filled me with hatred toward the whole world. So I set out to make a plan by which I could entirely destroy both the tent and the Christians who worshipped there. With my comrades, in an isolated place, we worked for several hours making a sixteen-pound bomb for use that night, in blowing the whole place to pieces.

Stricken in Public

Taking with me two of my most trusted comrades, the three of us carefully made our way through the streets to the tent. The people were already singing. The place was crowded with over three hundred people. We had to pay some boys in order to get seats in the center of the tent.

From the moment I entered the tent, I could see that Mrs. Pain had her eyes fastened on me and would not take them from me for a moment. I could see she realized, or sensed, the danger. Her constant gaze annoyed me. She felt sure that I was the Communist who had shot at her husband, fleeing quickly thereafter, into the darkness. In persecuting the evangelist, I had always worked in a manner to keep people from seeing me in the act of committing a crime.

But my face was known to them, because a few months earlier, I had told Mr. Pain in conversation one night, that if he did not take the tent down, I would kill him and burn it. For some reason, I promised him that if he would quit using that method of attracting the people, I would not molest him. I thought certainly this would stop him and thus I would not have to carry out the Communist orders which I had received from the Party.

Sitting in the center of the tent, I took my coat off and hung it over the chair in front of me, to hide my bomb from the people. It was a chemical time-bomb so large and powerful that it could destroy a four or five story building.

Just as I was adjusting the in-

fernal machine, I passed through the strangest experience of my life. My mind went blank; I became entirely dazed; I fell over completely unconscious! My comrades quickly carried away the bomb to a vacant lot and dismantled it before an explosion could occur.

Running back to heap vengeance upon me for being such a coward, they were greatly surprised to find me laid out across the ground unconscious, a green foam pouring from my mouth; my lips were blue; my finger nails were blue; my eyes were turned back in my head; my pulse had almost ceased to beat; my heart failed to function correctly. But thank God, in the pulpit was a real Book, and Mr. and Mrs. Pain knew how to interpret its teaching — if any are sick to pray!

Rev. Pain said: "The only thing that can be done to save this man's life is that we all, both believers and unbelievers, shall humble ourselves in reverence to God, and those who can pray will join in praying with me."

"Power in the Blood"

This they did, and then they sang. As I regained consciousness, the first thing I heard were the strains of the good old hymn, "There is Power in the Blood of the Lamb". They kept singing and trusting God. . . . I shall carry this song on my lips and in my heart, to Heaven.

After service, Mr. Pain dealt with me, gave me a New Testament, and explained the plan of salvation.

I still seemed dazed and stayed with him about a half an hour. Where there had been hate in my heart for him, now there was love! I did not accept Christ as my Saviour, but I publicly renounced Communism before the entire crowd. My comrades, standing outside the tent, thought I had gone crazy.

Mr. Pain made me promise that I would do him the kindness of returning the following night. This was a hard promise for me to make in that critical moment of my life but I made it, went home, slept well, got up, went to work, and my heart longed all day for the next service at the tent. To my great surprise, as I arrived at the hour of worship, Mrs. Pain was playing the piano — the same song that had touched my heart the night before.

The words of "Power in the Blood" gripped me to such an extent that for the first time in my life, I cried. I wept so bitterly that I could scarcely sit in a seat, and there that night the words of Jesus to Nicodemus "Ye must be born again", became a reality in my life. I sobbed out a deep repentance for sin; the Lord heard my prayer, and I came to know the experience of sweet and full salvation.

Today, I thank God that my precious mother, has the peace and joy of knowing that her son is saved by the "Blood of the Lamb". I no longer caused the missionaries to be in distress, fearing my treacherous deeds, but they came to rejoice with me in this salvation which is truly the *Power of God*. Today, I find joy unspeakable in laboring with Brother Pain for the salvation of the lost, among my Cuban people.

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CUBAN COMMUNIST. From Page 7.

I want to say that there were times during those months, when God spoke to my soul, and I even expressed a desire to renounce Communism and seek the better things of life. But my comrades would press guns against my body and say, "Alejandro, if you deny us we will take your life. You are our leader, you have led us well and you must lead us on. We must gain Cuba for Moscow". . . Now, thank God, even my former comrades can see

that I am living a new life, and that Jesus is truly my Lord and Saviour.

In closing I want to thank God for the American flag which represents a Nation of Christian people who sent missionaries (the Pain family) to my Country who were willing to pray for my salvation when I was a wretched sinner. I ask all Defender Readers to pray for Cuba, that many other young people of my age who are today in darkness, may come to rejoice with me in this Gospel of peace, joy, satisfaction and reality that cannot be compared with any other experience in life.

Christ to be the Son of God. The miracles which He wrought establish, in my mind, His personal authority, and render it proper for me to believe whatever He asserts. I believe, therefore, all His declarations, as well when He declares Himself to be the Son of God, as when He declares any other proposition. And I believe there is no other way of salvation than through the merits of His atonement. . . .

"I believe in the utter inability of any human being to work out his own salvation, without the constant aids of the Spirit of all grace."

Webster categorically rejected the Deism which raged as an intellectual affliction of his time, as Modernism is the scholastic plague of ours: "I believe in the universal providence of God; and leave to Epicurus, and his unreasonable followers in modern times, the inconsistency that God made a world which He does not take the trouble of governing."

Modernism Not New

Webster recognized the two basic facts which completely annihilate the infidelity which in his time paraded as Deism and which now presents itself as Modernism. In the first place, he recognized that this form of unbelief is not new or modern; it is old — it was old even in his time. He traced it back to Epicurus who died in the year 270 B. C.!

The second fact which Webster recognized about this timid form of unbelief, which denies the providences of God while vaguely conceding His existence, is that it is "unreasonable". In our own time, the late Dr. J. Gresham Machen and other scholars have demonstrated the basic irrationality and anti-intellectualism — the sheer unintelligence — of Modernism. Webster perceived that a compromising faith, a

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THE two greatest orators known to American history were Daniel Webster and William Jennings Bryan.

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From 1830 to 1850, Daniel Webster was a dominant figure in American politics. Presidents came and went, but his influence carried on. The same can be said of Bryan who, from 1896 to the time of his death in 1925, was an unparalleled influence in shaping the course of American history.

Like Bryan, Webster was a man of mighty faith, an uncompromising champion of fundamental Christianity. Daniel Webster's "Confession of Faith" is one of the immortal documents of Christian statesmanship.

Unlike that of modern demagogues, Webster's eloquence was not more "hot air" engendered in an intellectual vacuum. Webster's intellectual power was as great as his oratorical power. His writings today are quoted probably more frequently than are those of any other great statesmen of the past.

Basic Belief

Webster wrote with a clearness, an impelling force of logic, a power of conviction that bear witness to his giant intellect. His statement of faith in fundamental Christianity is a literary masterpiece. Let us quote a few paragraphs from it.

Webster began by declaring, "I believe in the existence of Almighty God, who created and governs the whole world. I am taught this by the works of nature and the Word of Revelation.

"I believe that God exists in three persons: this I learn from Revelation alone. Nor is it any objection to this belief that I cannot comprehend how one can be three, or three, one. I hold it my duty to believe, not what I comprehend, or account for, but what my Maker teaches me.

"I believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Will and Word of God."

The nations of the world, and our own beloved America, would not be in their present sorry and perplexed state if their destinies were directed by men who believe it is their duty to accept, and observe, the Will and Word of their Maker. The history of dictatorship is simply the old, old story of self-willed men setting themselves up above God and His Law. Fascism and Communism, alike, are based on systematic violations of the Ten Commandments.

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Modernist faith, involves inescapable inconsistencies.

Although a man of tremendous intellect himself, Webster did not fall into the fallacy of believing that science and reason should pass judgment upon faith. He believed with P. J. Bailey, that "Faith is a higher faculty than reason".

His clear-cut statement should be dinned into the ears of all worldly scholars who presume to "adjust" and "revise" and "modernize" the Scriptures "in the light of science and scholarship". Said Webster: "I believe religion to be a matter, *not of demonstration, but of faith*. GOD REQUIRES US TO GIVE CREDIT TO THE TRUTHS WHICH HE REVEALS NOT BECAUSE WE CAN PROVE THEM, BUT BECAUSE HE DECLARIES THEM."

Obedience to God, acceptance of His truth, is the highest duty of an intelligent man.

Continued Webster: "When the mind is reasonably convinced that the Bible is the Word of God, the only remaining duty is to receive its doctrines, with full confidence of their truth, and practice them with a pure heart."

In these words, Webster rebuked the quibblers and the hair-splitters, the abstruse and recondite super-critics: "I believe that the Bible is to be understood and received in the plain and obvious meaning of its passages; since I cannot persuade myself that a Book intended for the instruction and conversion of the whole world would cover its true meaning in any such mystery and doubt that none but critics and philosophers can discover it."

Webster added an enduring reproach for all who seek to superimpose worldly wisdom upon Eternal Truth: "I believe that the refinements and subtleties of human wisdom are more likely to obscure than to enlighten the Revealed Will of God; and that he is the most accomplished Christian scholar who hath been educated at the feet of Jesus in the College of Fishermen."

A Gigantic Figure

Webster was probably the greatest scholar of his time, the profoundest student of history and the social sciences, the most brilliant expert on Constitutional law, a peer among the great statesmen of all times — yet, in mat-

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ters of faith, he was humble and child-like in his trust in the Lord, in his absolute reliance of Divine Providence, in his full faith in the infallible Word of God.

Daniel Webster was noted for his massive forehead, his commanding presence, his intellectual impressiveness. Thomas Carlyle, in referring to Webster, sourly remarked that no man is ever "half as wise as he looks".

The poet, Whittier, described in his verse the great physical gifts of Webster:

Thou,
Whom the rich heavens did so endow
With eyes of power and Jove's own brow,
New England's stateliest type of man,
In port and speech Olympian;
Whom no one met, at first, but took
A second awed and wondering look.

Historians agree to the literal truth of this statement that no one could come into the presence of Webster without gasping in awe and wonder. If ever on earth walked a human being who had cause for conceit it was this great man. Yet, in the presence of his Creator, in his fearless championship of the Christian faith, he was as a child.

Sophia Peabody Hawthorne said of Webster, "Such a figure, such an intellect, such a heart, were certainly never combined before . . . The front of Jove, the regal, commanding air which cleared a path before him, the voice of thunder and music, the unfathomable eye — all these external signs said, 'Here is a Great Man!'"

Had Webster set his great intellect and his persuasive eloquence to the ignoble task of devitalizing and destroying fundamental Christianity, he probably could have accomplished greater works of destruction than all the Ingersolls, Pains, Voltaires, and Higher Critics of the ages. But Webster never presumed to oppose his master mind to the Revealed Word of God.

When he approached political and secular problems, he applied his keen faculties of critical analysis. But when he approached religious questions, he moved forward on his knees, he advanced by faith and not by sight, he believed what the Lord saith, and not what he himself might speculate.

True Christian Statesmanship

The famous American historian, James Schouler, has said, "Reason is the triumph of the intellect, faith of the heart". Humanity, in modern times,

has been sorely afflicted by too many, and too complete, triumphs of the intellect. Dictatorship is a triumph of intelligent schemers. Fascist and Communist systems are calculated triumphs of "social engineering".

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The giant military machines of European nations are embodiments of scientific intelligence. Poison gas is a triumph of inventive brain power.

The world needs a *triumph of faith, of the heart*. We need, not more "planning" in government, but more honesty. We need, not more efficiency, but more integrity. We need, not more intelligence, but more character. We need, not a revolution, but a revival.

Webster typified the Christian statesmanship which has been the highest product of the Anglo-Saxon people. Like Gladstone in England, Webster harnessed tremendous intellectual power to spiritual motivations. He recognized the primacy of the *heart — of faith* — in the affairs of men. He used his giant intellect in obedience to Di-

vine dictates. He elevated conscience above expediency. He used his great eloquence and supreme intellectual gifts to glorify and uphold God's Word, not to oppose and criticize it.

Like all great men, Webster had his enemies and his detractors. In the embittered struggle over slavery, he was the victim of calculated misunderstandings. Like Lincoln, he was condemned by the extremists of both camps. But, like Lincoln again, he was vindicated fully by the final judgment of his generation, which failed completely to appreciate his selflessness and devotion to country until after he was gone. The New Standard Encyclopedia says of Webster's passing on October 24, 1852: "Hardly in the history of the country has there been a more general expression of sorrow. The mourning can only be compared with that which followed the deaths of Washington and Lincoln."

sees, "I am the Son of God" (Matt. 27:43).

6. "I and my Father are one," said Jesus. "Thou, being a man," responded the Pharisees, "makest Thyself God" (John 10:30-33). Full well they understood His meaning. He claimed to be God. And it was for this claim that He was put to death.

7. "All men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent Him" (John 5:23). Thus Jesus places Himself on the same level as His Father, for He is God — Divine equality.

II. The Testimony of Others

1. John the Baptist: "This is the Son of God" (John 1:34).

2. Nathaniel: "Thou art the Son of God" (John 1:49).

3. Peter: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God" (Mt. 16:16).

4. His disciples: "We believe and are sure that Thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God" (John 6:69).

5. Thomas: "My Lord and my God" (John 20:28). What a confession! Very God of very God.

6. John: "Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God" (John 20:31). It was to prove the Deity of Christ that John wrote His Gospel.

III. The Testimony of His Father

"This is my beloved Son: hear Him" (Mark 9:7). Of no other did God ever say that.

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And they could not answer. Nor can you, my friend, unless you accept His Deity.

* * *

If Jesus Christ was not God, if He was merely a man, then you have a number of things to explain that cannot be explained. Grant Him Deity and the explanation is simple. Deny His deity and you are lost.

1. His works

"The works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me" (John 5:36).

His miracles are unique. He had control of all the laws of nature. His power was unlimited. And He never failed. He demonstrated His power over nature, disease, death and demons. That includes all. He manifested every attribute of Deity.

He calls the dead to life again,

Bids winds and billows cease;

None other man such works hath done—

What manner of man is this?

2. His Teachings

He spoke with authority, He Himself being the Fountain of Truth. "Never man spake like this man," exclaimed those who heard Him. Wherever His teachings have gone other religions have passed away.

What words of grace and truth He speaks

Ne'er heard on earth before;

The burdened sinner hears that voice

And feels his sins no more.

The chasms between the teachings of Jesus and earth's wisest and best, is so great that it can never be bridged.

3. His Character

"I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood" (Matt. 27:4), exclaimed Judas, His betrayer. Judas, who knew Him, pronounced Him innocent.

"I find in Him no fault at all" (John 18:38). That was Pilate's verdict.

"This man has done nothing amiss"

(Luke 23:41), cried the dying thief as he hung on the cross.

"Which of you convinceth Me of sin?" (John 8:46), challenged Jesus. And no one accepted the challenge. In spite of all the attacks upon it, His character remains spotless to this day.

4. His Pre-existence

"Before Abraham was, I am" (John 8:58). Again, the great "I AM". He lived before Abraham was born.

"The glory which I had with Thee before the world was" (John 17:5), was the way He expressed it as He prayed for its restoration. Think of it — "Before the world was."

"His Son, by whom He made the worlds" (Heb. 1:2). Thus wrote the writer of the Hebrews. If He made the worlds He must have lived before He was born.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:1-3,14).

And that statement, my friend, is all inclusive. Nor can it be misunderstood. The Word was Christ. He was in the beginning. He was God. He created all things. He became flesh and dwelt among us — Jesus.

There is one passage in God's Word that must forever settle the question of the Deity of Christ. It is found in 2 Cor. 8:9, and it is absolutely unanswerable.

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor."

Now let me ask the question, When was He rich? That He became poor, we are all agreed. But the Bible says that He was rich. When, I ask?

It could not have been after His death and ascension, for it says that He became poor after He was rich. In other words, He was rich first, then poor.

Of course it was before He was born, during His pre-existence. For He always lived and He was always God. He became poor only at His birth. Be-

fore His incarnation He was rich.

5. His influence

Empires have crumbled before His advance, and nations have been transformed by His power. Countless millions own His sway. With a handful of followers, He conquered continents, and lifted the standards of the human race as no other ever did.

Hence He must be what He claimed to be, the promised Messiah of the Old Testament prophecies, and none other than the Son of God, incarnate in human flesh.

"Is not this the Christ?" exclaimed the woman of Samaria. "This is in-

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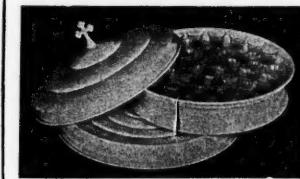


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DEITY.

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"Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He seeth the Father do: for what things soever He doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise. For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth Him all things that Himself doeth: and He will shew Him greater works than these, that ye may marvel. For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom He will. For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: that all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent Him.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in Himself; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself; and hath given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.

"Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

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"But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given Me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of Me, that the Father hath sent Me.

"And the Father Himself, which hath sent Me, hath borne witness of Me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape. And ye have not His Word abiding in you:

for whom He hath sent, Him ye believe not.

"Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me. And ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life.

"I receive not honor from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive Me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honor one of another, and seek not the honor that cometh from God only?

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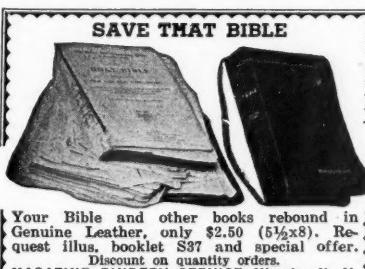
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It was true in America when the Blue Eagle was displayed. Public sentiment against this "imported buzzard" and its accompanying boycott was, of course, so strong that the foreign bird did not long survive in the free atmosphere of American liberty.

These marks are all forerunners of the coming international mark which the Antichrist will adopt. It will be a mark in the flesh — in the right hand or the forehead. No doubt the mark will be displayed on the forehead only in cases where it cannot, for various reasons, be imprinted upon the right hand.

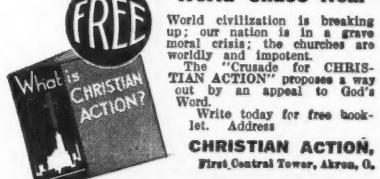
"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name" (Rev. 13:16, 17).

Salute of the Antichrist

In a recent tour of Italy, I was impressed with the fact that the salute of the Antichrist is evidently already in existence. Handshaking has been

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SHADOWS.

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abolished. Everybody gives the Fascist salute by raising the right hand WITH THE PALM FORWARD.

The palm of the right hand would be the logical place for the "mark of the beast". In order to display the mark, one would have to raise the right hand in exactly the same fashion as the Fascist salute is given.

Can it be that the Fascist salute will be carried over into the reign of the Antichrist and become universal when the time comes to brand men with the mark? Time will tell.

There can be no question, according to Bible prophecy, but what the Antichrist will arise from within the confines of the old Roman Empire. The Fascist salute is the old salute of the Caesars which Mussolini has restored and popularized.

Image and Number

A large image is being constructed in Rome. It will be a likeness of Mussolini, approximately 300 feet high. It is reported that provision will be made for a radio station in the head of the structure. Can it be that this is the image spoken of by John in Revelation 13:15,16? Again we say, "Time will tell".

The image to the Beast is evidently a mechanical monster of whom Mr. Televox is a prototype. Weymouth's translation is interesting in this connection: "The statue of the Wild Beast could even speak and cause all who refuse to worship it, to be put to death". (Rev. 13:15)

Numbers are becoming more and more prominent in our national life these days. The second Blue Eagle had its code number. Communist locals have their numbers. Social legislation has caused numbers to be assigned to thirty millions of our inhabitants. The convicts have their numbers. The arch-convict, the Antichrist will have his number, 666.

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The following Associated Press news account is not without prophetic significance:

"LAPORTE, IND., Feb. 15 — Asked for his Social Security number, a husky job seeker peeled off a jacket, flannel shirt and heavy undershirt before blushing young women clerks in a state employment office today. **THE NUMBER WAS TATOOED IN HIS CHEST.**" (Emphasis supplied)

The final number to be imposed upon his followers by the Antichrist, will be branded in some manner upon the right

hand or the forehead.

People who live only in their carnal minds, can not realize the importance of the prophetic development taking place about them. But the wise shall understand! "Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand". (Daniel 12:10)

I am sure I voice the feeling of all fundamental students of the prophetic Word, when I say that the United States is so situated as to avoid much of the sorrow and pain prophesied for other parts of the world — if we will faithfully preserve the righteous and Christian ideals of our forefathers. To do this, we must purge our borders of the abominable evil of Communism.

The Crusades

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Authenticated history is an important part of the religious knowledge of the Christian Church, and the records upon which we most rely inform us that, Syria had been overrun by the Arabs in the seventh century, shortly after the death of Mohammed, and the Holy City of Jerusalem had fallen into the hands of the infidels.

The Arab, however, shared the veneration of the Christian for the places associated with the life of Christ and, in general, permitted the Christian pilgrims who found their way thither to worship unmolested. But with the coming of a new and ruder people, the Seljuk Turks, in the eleventh century,

the pilgrims began to bring home news of great hardships.

Moreover, the eastern emperor was defeated by the Turks in 1071 and lost Asia Minor. The presence of the Turks, who had taken possession of the fortress of Nicaea, just across from Constantinople, was of course a standing menace to the Eastern Empire. When the energetic Emperor Alexius (1081-1118) ascended the throne he endeavored to expel the infidel. Finding himself unequal to the task, he appealed for assistance to the head of Christendom, Pope Urban II. The first great impetus to THE CRUSADES was the call issued by Urban at the celebrated church council which met in 1095 at Clermont in France.

Plans For Rescuing the Holy Land

In an address, which produced more remarkable immediate results than any other which history records, the Pope exhorted knights and soldiers of all ranks to give up their usual wicked business of destroying their Christian brethren in private warfare and turn, instead to the succor of their fellow Christians in the East.

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ful servants of the Lord. Urban urged, besides, that France was too poor to support all its people, while the Holy Land flowed with milk and honey. "Enter upon the road to the Holy Sepulcher; wrest the land from the wicked race and subject it to yourselves."

When the Pope had finished, all who were present exclaimed, with one accord, "It is the will of God." This, the Pope declared, should be the rallying cry of the Crusaders, who were to wear a cross upon their bosoms as they went forth, and upon their backs as they returned, as a holy sign of their sacred mission.

Tradition recounts the numerous acts of frenzy and unwonted violence that characterized the invasions of the Crusaders. They indulged every passion without restraint. There were, of course, groups of more modest folks who held aloof from the general rabble and deplored the acts of such heinous nature riotously indulged in, under the banner of the cross.

Releasing Burning Passions

Invested with authority from the papal head, and wearing a cross as a sign of the origin of the movement (upon which all men should look as a symbol of the crucified Christ) they marched across the continent of Europe and Asia Minor with the pre-announced object of "wresting Jerusalem and the Holy Place out of the hands of the infidel".

The memory of this has been handed down from father to son, through the generations to this day. The thought of force of arms employed either to convert the infidel or destroy him seized upon the impassioned mobs. Their ruthless conduct excited the stoutest resistance in the followers of Mohammed. Instead of inspiring terror and submission, the shameless conduct and cruelty of the Crusaders confirmed the followers of the Crescent in perpetual hatred and revenge.

The origin of the Crusades, then, could be neither human nor divine and this fact Moslems readily perceiving, were the more willing to seal their loyalty to the faith of Islam with their blood; to die abhorring the sign of the cross and to hate with a deadly hatred a religion that could give birth to such hateful and relentless impulses.

The Crusades are ordinarily represented as the most striking examples of the simple faith and religious enthusiasm of the Middle Ages. They appealed, however, to many different kinds of men. The devout, the romantic, and the adventurous were by no means the only classes that were attracted.

Syria held out inducements to the discontented noble who might hope to gain a principality in the East, to the merchant who was looking for new enterprises, to the merely restless who

wished to avoid his responsibilities at home, and even to the criminal who enlisted with a view of escaping the results of his past offenses.

It is noteworthy that Urban appealed especially to those who had been "contending against their brethren and relatives," and urged those "who have hitherto been robbers now to become soldiers of Christ." And the conduct of many of the Crusaders indicated that the Pope found a ready hearing among this class.

Yet higher motives than a love of adventure and the hope of conquest impelled many who took their way eastward. Great numbers, doubtless, went to Jerusalem "through devotion alone, and not for the sake of honor or gain", with the sole object of freeing the Holy Sepulcher from the hands of the infidel.

Triumph at Last

The Council of Clermont met in November. Before spring (1096) those who set forth to preach the Crusade — above all, the famous Peter the Hermit, who was formerly given credit for having begun the whole crusading movement — had collected, in France and along the Rhine, an extraordinary army of the common folk. Peasants, workmen, vagabonds, and even women and children answered the summons, all blindly intent upon rescuing the Holy Sepulcher, two thousand miles away.

They were confident that the Lord would sustain them during the weary leagues of the journey, and that, when they reached the Holy Land, he would grant them a prompt victory over the infidel.

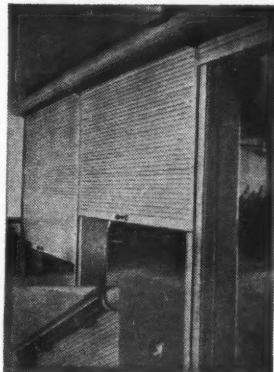
And in this presumption they per-

sisted. For the mysterious force which had set the legions tramping toward their infamous doom did not relax its power upon them even amidst the direct spectacle of defeat.

This great host got under way in several divisions under the leadership of Peter the Hermit, Walter the Penniless, and other humble knights. Many of the Crusaders were slaughtered by the Hungarians, who rose to protect themselves from the depredations of this motley horde in its passage through their country.

Part of them got as far as Nicaea, only to be slaughtered by the Turks. This is but an example, on a large scale,

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CRUSADES.

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of what was going on continually for a century or so after this first great catastrophe. Individual pilgrims and adventurers, and sometimes considerable bodies of crusaders, were constantly falling a prey to every form of disaster — starvation, slavery, disease, and death — in their persistent endeavors to reach the far away Holy Land.

It was at Antioch that the Crusaders began to despair. Many of the Crusader soldiers ceased to bear arms. Discipline could not be enforced. Bohemond, who had undertaken the siege of the city, determined to burn the quarters of the soldiers. These were soon consumed by flames, but the fire spread so rapidly that it filled Bohemond with fear that it would destroy the whole principality. The soldiers now agreed to submit to army discipline. But they worked slowly, being both despondent and sullen.

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A hope of victory rose in the breast of every Crusader. They were now sure that the infidels were doomed. They were prepared to see good omens on every side, notwithstanding the lance discovery was proven to be a fraud. The fight, one of brute force on the Christian side, and of some little skill as well as strength on the side of the Turks. The lines of the Crusaders wavered. Kerboga was bearing heavily on Godfrey and Hugh of Vermandois, when clothed in white armour and riding on white horses, some human forms were seen on the neighboring heights.

"The saints are coming to your aid", shouted the bishop of Puy, and the people saw in these radiant strangers the martyrs St. George, St. Maurice, and St. Theodore. Without awaiting their nearer approach the Crusaders turned on the enemy with force and fury which were now irresistible. Their cavalry could do little. Two hundred horses only remained of the sixty thousand which had filled the plain a few months before. But the hedge of spears advanced like a wall of iron, and the Turks gave way, broke and fled. It was rout, not retreat; and with the Crusaders victory was followed by the massacre of men, women, and children. The garrison in the citadel at once surrendered.

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The doings of the Crusaders have been rehearsed from generation to generation. It needed no glib tongue to heighten the color of the tragedy — the truth itself was sufficient; it surpassed the inventive powers of fiction writers. How often since medieval centuries, has the threat of reprisal or guns of the Sublime Port, checked the frenzy of revengeful Moslem mobs fired by some grievance to violently incite a holy war.

Previous to the Crusades, Moslems were sworn to protect Christians, and only in isolated cases, local in their nature, were persecutions levelled by the followers of Mohammed against Christians — the causes being generally other than difference in religious belief.

It is inherent fear of the results of the rule of Christian nations in Moslem lands; a dubious feeling of mistrust; a dread of ultimate betrayal and subjugation to a hostile and merciless anti-Islamic power, that guides to-day the storm-tossed politics of the Arab countries of the Mediterranean. And it is this entrenched feeling of dread and distrust that makes missionary progress in Moslem lands extremely slow and hazardous.

As a recent example of the truth of these assertions: The Christian editor of *Les Echos*, Damascus, wrote, that on the 22nd of January the spectators of the film "The Crusades", projected at the Empire Theater, summarily left the place on account of a display of unfriendly fanaticism, on the part of a certain (Moslem) element.

This took place whenever there was a display of the cross under one form or another. There were long drawn-out cries of "The generation of tomorrow!" in a spirit of angry derision. The editor ventures the remark "And who can wipe out the memory that has actually clung so tenaciously under those circumstances to this country".

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Christian Pogroms In Russia

John Jacob, Chicago, Illinois

I PROPOSE to show in this article, that it is no exaggeration to apply the following prophetic passage of Scripture to twentieth century Communism:

"And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them." (Revelation 13:6-7).

Stalin's ruthless extermination of hundreds of officials and the noisy festivals in connection with Soviet Russia's twentieth anniversary, as well as the so-called election of the first "Soviet-democratic parliament"—all this is drowning the cries of millions of the Russian Christians who are being pitilessly tormented and murdered under the heel of Moscow's diabolical regime.

The world in general has become so accustomed to the wickedness, the butchery, the viciousness, of the Soviet attitude toward Christianity, that the conscience of millions seems to no longer be impressionable, where the matter of red atrocities is involved.

There are no grounds for believing that the Soviets have become the least bit tolerant toward religion. Information coming out of that unhappy land shows that just the opposite is true.... The Soviet Herods are constantly inventing new methods for the persecution of the faithful.

Why Communists Will Never Tolerate Christians

Comparatively few Christians in America even undertake the somewhat dreary task of studying the intricate details of Communism.

Yet without a thorough study, one can not fully grasp the fact that Christians will continue to be murdered in one way or another, as long as Communist activity manages to survive. International red propaganda will pay lip service to any kind of an economic or political system; it will prostitute any phrase or ideal, to advance its own ends. Being atheistic, it is devoid of conscience.

One must remember that the Communists have no intention at any time of abiding by the first principles of truth. They will even proclaim religious freedom, if it suits their convenience, and at the same time invent artificial reasons for exterminating the faithful.

"If the Russian youth ever discovers that there is any merit in religion," Stalin wrote, last year, to the Militant Godless Association of his home town, "our Communist regime is doomed."

There are greater depths to this statement, than one sees at first glance. In these words, Stalin sums up the whole philosophy of Communism as far as the Christian religion is concerned.

I speak as an eye-witness. I write from the viewpoint of a former Rus-

sian Commissar, who thought at first, that possibly the new government as set up score of years ago, might have a few good traits which would prove beneficial to my people. I must admit that there were times in Russia when I was genuinely puzzled by the ferocious hatred of the leaders toward Christians and Christianity.

Just about twenty years ago, I was present the day the Bolsheviks forced my grandmother, a matron of seventy-two, to sign over everything she possessed, to the new government. The old lady did not protest, and the transac-

tion seemed to come to a finish without any undue excitement.

"Well grandmother," said the Communist official as he pocketed the documents which he had obtained at the point of his gun, "I guess I can leave you a few things so you can live your last years in peace."

"Oh, don't bother," grandmother answered with a faint smile, "I surely will not go hungry. I have children, and my good Lord in Heaven, too, will take care of me."

This insignificant remark literally lifted the Communist official out of his chair. It seemed to change him into a devil. With blazing eyes, he shook his fist in the face of the matron, and no pen could describe the filthy cursing

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and blasphemies which filled the air. All because she had dared refer to her Lord!

Grandmother, though she never in her life had harmed a soul, remained an "enemy" of the country until the day of her death. At the age of eighty-four she was exiled into the wilds of the Ural mountains where, in December 1929, she died.

Such incidents caused me to seek an answer to the question: Why is religion, and especially the Christian Faith, so much hated by Communism?

Lenin Gives the Answer

Much has been said about the fact that Karl Marx made militant atheism a vital part of Communist doctrine. This apostate Jew whose real name was Mordecai, absorbed himself in the task of making Communism into an atheistic religion. He said: "Faith in God is keeping the working masses in a state of weakness which surrenders them to oppression."

Lenin expanded this idea. He was a bitter foe of religion, and made atheistic brutality indispensable to the scheme of WORLD REVOLUTION. He fully realized that no Marxist plan can ever succeed in a society which remains predominantly religious.

"Religion," said Lenin in 1905, "is a spiritual liquor in which the slaves of Capitalism drown both their human likeness and their right to demand a decent living for themselves."

No one will ever be able to deny that Lenin knew how to be subtle in his fight against Christianity. He realized that genuine faith was the bulwark of religion. "A priest who will betray a young girl," he once said, "is far less dangerous than a cleric without robe who preaches a real and a living God."

If, now, we take into consideration that Lenin's successor, Stalin, vastly surpasses his master in brutality and fiendish blood thirst, we will realize that he pronounced the most important fundamental of Communism when, about a year ago, he said:

"We regard religion as one of the greatest enemies of Communism and Sovietism. The fight will be carried on further and with great energy. We

want no compromise with the religious world; for the religious aims and our aims are fundamentally hostile to each other."

When Stalin said this, he was reaffirming an older statement made by Lunatcharsky, the Jewish Commissar of Education. The latter's utterances contained such sentences as the following:

"We hate Christians. Even the best of them must be regarded as our worst enemies. They preach love to one's neighbor and pity, which is contrary to our principles. Christian love is a hindrance to the development of the revolution. Down with love for one's neighbor! What we want is hatred. We must know how to hate, for only at this price can we conquer the universe. We have done with the kings of the earth; let us now deal with the kings of the skies. All religions are poison. They intoxicate and deaden the mind, and the conscience. A fight to the death must be declared upon religion. Our task is to destroy all kinds of religion, all kinds of morality."

Only the Christ-hating, Messiah-rejecting, apostate Jewish mind, in which all Communism has its roots, could produce such an attitude as Lunatcharsky expounded, toward the Christian religion.

Stalin's Fury Increased by Failure to Conquer Faith

The hatred of Stalin and his Godless Sanhedrin for Christ is equaled only by the hatred which, 1900 years ago, led to the Jewish tortures and crucifixion of our Lord at Jerusalem.

On November 14, 1937, Dr. Nicholas Zernov, a professor at the University of Moscow, lectured in Great Britain. He is an authority on conditions in Soviet Russia and his reports are authentic confirmation of (1) the continued ruthless slaughter of Christians and (2) the futility of Stalin's fight against religion.

"For twenty years", Dr. Zernov said, "Communists have tried to destroy Christianity in Russia, and have used every means possible, with the result that there have never before in the world's history, been so many martyrs as during this period.

"Four or five million Christians have perished in Russia since the revolution, and, of these, eighty per cent, were women. (These figures do not include the people who have been put to death for political reasons, such as the collectivization of farms, etc. J. J.) In the

persecution of the Roman Empire it was generally men who stood for their belief, but in Russia it is chiefly the women.

Methods of Persecution Described by Dr. Zernov

"Since 1929 the Communists have tried three methods for crushing Christianity. First, all schools are anti-Christian in their teachings; secondly, every form of Christian propaganda is a criminal offense; and thirdly, Christians who attend worship must find twenty persons who are willing to give their names and serve as guarantors of the parish, and it is only a question of time until these guarantors are arrested one by one, when, of course, another must immediately be found to take his or her place.

"But this gigantic attempt to crush Christianity has failed, and according to official government figures there are still several million Christian worshippers—and that after 20 years of persecution."

Dr. Zernov refers here to the Greek-Catholic church. His statistics do not include the many who worship stealthily, or the great number of Russian Protestants (Baptists, Evangelical Christians, etc.)

Disappointment over Communism is growing especially among the young people, and Dr. Zernov reports that Christian Faith, instead of vanishing, is actually gaining. This, naturally, is sufficient cause for still greater and more frantic persecution.

The Communists are fully aware that their very existence depends upon their ability to conquer Christianity.

Faithful Are Persecuted Even in Prison Camps

It is not enough to merely send a Christian into exile to work at slave labor the rest of his life—thus paying for his convictions.

He is not permitted to testify for Christ even to those who share his prison fate. If he persists in talking about religion, he is severely punished.

This fact was confirmed by a recent letter received from "Warya, the Goddess". Regular Readers will remember her from an earlier report which appeared in *The Defender*. For the benefit of those who are not familiar with her story I shall repeat briefly....

"Warya" is the name of a Russian girl about twenty. She was an active

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member of the Militant Godless Association who became converted through the faithfulness and testimony of another girl, whom Warya was persecuting. After finding Christ herself, she spoke out daringly in an anti-Christian meeting. There she publicly confessed Christ and pleaded with the audience to desist from persecuting religious people. Instead they should confess their sins and accept Christ as their Saviour, just as she had done!

Such an act was an unheard of crime, and the girl was arrested a few days later. After months of torturous confinement in different prisons she was finally sent to Siberia.

She and a number of other Christian women were condemned to work at hard labor. Their daily *quotas* of work were large, and whenever one of the sufferers was unable to perform her task, the others would help. They must do this, for the food rations are small and bad, and when one fails to complete a *quota*, that person loses part of the ration. This system makes life even more difficult for those who are healthy.

Not so long ago, a letter got through from Warya. It is the last she will ever write, for this poor victim of Jewish persecution is now beyond the boundaries of even Soviet convict-civilization—if she is still alive.

Warya's Letter

Warya's letter reached her friends outside of Russia in a roundabout way. It is not easy to avoid Soviet censorship. The reds are "touchy" about the actual truth of conditions within their borders becoming known.

The new prison camp where she was headed, when she wrote the letter, is one originally established for the absolutely incorrigible criminals of Russia. It serves an equal purpose to the American Alcatraz. The difference is that an inmate of Alcatraz is in paradise as compared to the conditions prevailing in the camp to which Warya was being consigned.

"With horror," she begins her letter to the friend who brought her to Christ, "am I thinking back to the time when I was active in behalf of the Godless. But the Lord saw that deep in my heart, I was seeking truth, and He sent you, so I would learn through you that I was a lost sinner."

"Never in my life shall I forget the day when I betrayed you and you were persecuted on my account. I never will forget the look you gave me. I did not know then, that it is possible to love one's enemies. Now all this is clear to me."

"The Lord willed that one hundred of us are being sent from here to—(name of the Siberian prison camp). This is the severest punishment for our being disobedient to the order which forbids us to testify for Christ. Those poor people think that if they send us there, they will separate us from the Lord."

"The Lord, Who has been with us and Who says that not a hair shall fall off our heads unless He wills it so, will go with us to—(name of the Siberian

prison camp), and we shall keep on praising Him there also."

"We are about to depart. It will require three weeks of travel to reach—(a point on a great northern river). From there we will have to proceed by river boat for about another two weeks. I will not be able to write you again...

"The Lord bless you, and all others, as well as the work you are doing for Him. Here on earth we shall not see each other again, but in the presence of our Saviour we shall be united forever. Nobody will ever persecute, torture and offend us there. All these brief sufferings will be forgotten. Until we see each other again out there where no tears are shed...."

Those of us who know the localities of which Warya is writing, as well as true conditions in prison camps of Russia, are sure that these one hundred Christians, of whom the faithful girl writes, are doomed to a certain, but torturous death. Their crime consists of testifying for their Lord in prisons which already were hard beyond description.

Care has been used to delete names and places in the foregoing statement so the Communists will not be able to

persecute Christian brethren who made this information available.

More Vigilance Needed

It is a very late and a most serious warning to the people of America—this evidence that persecution continues in 1938!

If there comes a red America, we know well what will happen to the faithful. It is not necessary to review the many reports about the increase of Communist influence in this Country. Each issue of *The Defender* contains much such information.

I am a Russian. We thought it could not happen over there! But it did! I see the same forces, the same trends, in this part of the world. My heart aches at the apathy which I observe around me. Where is the voice that will rise up and shout the clarion call to arms against this international evil which was spawned in the pit and given to the world through the channel of apostate Jewry?

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March 13

Feeding The Hungry

Mark 6:30-44

THE disciples are perplexed. Jesus intimated that the people must be fed. But how? They took stock of their provisions and put their heads together and were at their wits' end.

They thought of the multitudes; they thought of their few loaves and fishes; they thought of everything — except their Lord. It does not seem to have occurred to them that He could help them out of their difficulty. Sometimes in our perplexities we think of everything — except God!

At last they hit upon a way out of their trouble and came to Jesus with THEIR PLAN. "Send them away." How often we ask God to bless OUR plan instead of asking Him to show us HIS plan. Their plan was not His plan for any plan that would send the people away from Jesus Christ is no part of the Gospel.

"Send them away", said the disciples. "Give ye them to eat", said Jesus. So He rolled the great work back upon the disciples themselves. God never takes a work entirely off our hands and does it for us, but immediately gives us a part in it while He supplies the power. "All authority is given unto Me in heaven and on earth, GO YE therefore", is ever the divine logic and plan.

This is what Moses thought of his power of speech when God commanded him to go and speak to Pharaoh. He suggested Aaron as the eloquent member of the family; yet Aaron never said anything that anybody can quote, and Moses spoke great words that are still thundering through the world. This is often what we think of our abilities when we are given a work to do.

Note the exact point in the narrative at which the loaves began to multiply. "And He took the five loaves and the two fishes." It was not there; there were still only five loaves and two fishes in His hands. "And looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake the loaves." We might expect it there, but it is not; after He blessed them there were still only five and two. "And He gave to the disciples to set before them." There it is! When the disciples began to divide and give the loaves, then the bread began to multiply; not before. As we use the means we have and the faith we have, He increases the means and enlarges our faith.

Gather up the fragments. Many a fortune has grown out of gathering up fragments. The sewerage of Paris has been turned into a golden stream yielding two million dollars a year. The by-products of some manufacturing works are their chief profits. Wasting fragments has ruined many a business. We may be dreaming that we could accomplish great things if we had the time and means, while we may be letting slip through our fingers moments and means that might be turned to great use. Fragments of time have made great scholars, eminent speakers, or artists.

March 20

Keeping The Body Strong

Mk. 6:53-56; Judges 13:12-14; 1 Cor. 3:16-17; Rom. 12:1-2

LIVING our lives according to the will of God involves among other things keeping ourselves as physically fit as possible. It is the duty of a Christian to maintain the best health that care, self-denial, and discipline can produce. The idea that our religion has to do only with souls and not at all with our bodies is a false and pernicious one.

Christ can still lay His hand upon us; and when He does, every power of body and mind is revitalized. Those who bring their loved ones to Christ in prayer can be sure that His healing influence will be brought to bear upon them precisely the same as in the scene described in our text.

Judges 13:12-14. The coming of a baby into the world is generally an occasion of great joy; but few people, even among Christians, appreciate the necessity of seeking divine counsel in the child's nurture.

What takes place before the child's birth is just as important as what takes place after. Health, godliness, and self-restraint in forebears contribute immeasurably to the health of their descendants.

This passage of Scripture has a remarkably cogent lesson for the modern mother. We live in an age when women are developing drinking habits like those of men. Science assures us that because the life of a mother is in every way so intimately tied up with the life of the child, even the slightest indulgence in alcoholic liquors is liable to have a very damaging effect upon the offspring.

Rom. 12:1-2. There are really two crucifixions necessary for the salvation

of a man's soul — the great crucifixion of the divine Son of God and the daily crucifixion of the man who would yield his heart and life to the crucified Savior.

Romans has been dealing with doctrine but from Chapter twelve the epistle is occupied chiefly with the Christian walk in accordance with what has been taught. Doctrine determines duty; creed characterizes conduct. What a man really believes is revealed by what he does. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Service is not self-effort. Service is the out-living of the in-living Christ. When we have tasted the goodness of God — guilt displaced by abundant Grace and sin's impotence by the Spirit's power — then the mighty movings of gratitude in the soul become the inexhaustible, irrepressible fountain of service.

March 27

Correcting Wrong Ideas Of Religion

Mark 7:1-13

JESUS appears in this scene as a law-breaker. He came into frequent collision with the Pharisees on points of their law. They had fashioned about life a complicated harness of rules and regulations that had become a terrible burden and bondage. Jesus boldly smashed through these traditional restrictions and made room for liberty and life. Yet while destroying these human traditions and additions to the law, He did not destroy religious and ethical law but conserved its sacredness and perpetuated its obligation.

The washing referred to was not the ordinary washing for cleansing soiled hands, but a ceremonial rite to remove religious defilement from contact with Gentiles or unclean persons or with ceremonially unclean objects in the marketplace. These traditions thus acquired an authority far exceeding that of the Scripture itself. "It is a greater offense", said the Mishna, the Hebrew book containing these traditions, "to teach anything contrary to the voice of the Rabbis, than to contradict Scripture itself."

In the ceremonial washing of the hands, the hands had to be washed by an elaborate process involving many precise ways of holding them and pouring water on them and letting it drain and drip off them, which had to be carefully and rigidly observed. There were twenty-six rules for this rite in the morning alone, and to violate or

neglect any one of them was declared to be a sin as bad as adultery or murder, and worthy of death!

It is easy to see what would become of the spirit of religion when caught in such a system; it would be constricted to death; the husk would strangle the corn. The outer material form gradually buried and smothered the inner spiritual reality. While the Pharisees were so punctilious and ostentatious in observing their own traditional inventions and were ready to persecute even unto death any one who dared to neglect them, they were robbing widows, refusing to support their parents, and revelling in all manner of iniquity. They were like sepulchres, outwardly white and spotlessly splendid, but inwardly full of dead men's bones and offensive corruption.

It is true that as the outer form grows in complexity and richness, the inner spirit is likely to wane and wither in purity and power. Ritualistic religion can hardly escape the tendency to put the symbol in place of the substance, to insist upon and trust in the outer form while the inner grows proud, unspiritual, and sensual.

April 3

Serving Other Races

Mk. 7:24-37

THE silence of Jesus! How mysterious! "He answered her not a word" (Mt. 15:28). We would have expected a sympathetic welcome. But

he takes no notice of her but stands before her in a silence that is most chilling. Surely there is a purpose in all this. Let us look for it.

1. *He is going to make use of this woman to teach a grand and much-needed lesson to these twelve disciples.* "I am not sent but to the house of Israel." Then the woman, with tears streaming down her cheeks, and in the attitude of prayer, cried, "Lord, help me!" Jesus answered, "It is not meet to take the children's bread and cast it to the — dogs." Before He said the word "dogs", I think He paused slightly and looked at His disciples. The disciples had been calling these people "dogs" on the way. "It is not meet to take the *children's bread*", and these stony-hearted, selfish men were the children; "and to give it to the dogs" — and this kneeling, weeping, broken-hearted woman was one of the dogs! The ironical contrast made the disciples begin to hang their heads in shame. Some compliments make us blush.

But all unknown to the woman, she went on to deepen their confusion. She laid hold of that word "dog", that word which the disciples had so gladly dropped out of their conversation, and she said: "Yea, Lord, a dog; I am willing to be regarded as a dog; but even the dogs are allowed to have the crumbs which fall from their master's table. I don't ask for the bread. Give that to thy children, to thy good disciples here, but when the children have been fed, Lord, spare one crumb of thy power, one crumb of thy love for a poor old dog!"

By this time the disciples had come to feel that *they* were the dogs, and

that was the first purpose the Master had been pursuing. Now He sees them turn away from the woman in shame, and some of them with tears in their eyes. He sees that His purpose has been accomplished, and that great heart of His, that had been almost bursting to declare its affection for the woman, broke out in a torrent of love.

2. *He brings out the greatness of this woman's faith.* "Oh, woman, great is thy faith; be it unto thee even as thou wilt." He would have given that reply at first, only He wanted, by His reply, not only to heal her daughter, but to humiliate twelve men. By His apparent harshness to one woman He blessed the souls of twelve men. The apparent silence of His love was really working the will of a larger love.

3. *Thus by that mysterious silence which followed the woman's appeal, the Master glorified His name.* Does not this incident give us a key by which we may interpret some of the silence of Jesus today? We kneel at His feet, and pray, and ask for mercies, and the Lord is very silent and seems to answer us never a word. He may be giving us a greater answer than we asked. His silence may be working out a much greater unfolding of His wonderful love.

For study you will find another "Silence of Jesus" in Luke 23:9. Jesus never answers when your mind is all made up. Jesus is always silent before the inquiry of a man who has already made up his mind.

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The Russia Inland Relief Mission takes great pleasure in announcing that the Rev. Alexander V. Dobrinin has joined their staff in the capacity of Director of Russian work.

Rev. Dobrinin was associated with the American European Fellowship for 18 years. Recently, however, because of the death of the vice-president and general secretary of that organization, Pastor Herbert Hogg—a faithful servant of God—and because of the subsequent closing of their main Philadelphia office, Rev. Dobrinin has withdrawn from that fellowship, and joined hands with the Russia Inland Relief Mission.

Rev. Dobrinin brings to our Mission his thirty years of preaching experience and wide knowledge of the Russian missionary work throughout the world. He comes from St. Petersburg, Russia, where he has gone through the horrors of the revolution. He publishes the well known Russian Christian magazine "*Vernost-Faithfulness*," which has a circulation throughout 35 countries.

Because of this, the *Evangelization and Missionary Relief Ministry* of the Russia Inland Relief Mission for the persecuted and suffering Christians in Soviet Russia, and for Russian refugees abroad, has been enormously increased and will require larger resources. The broadened field presents more opportunities to our friends and increased benefits to those whom we are able to help.

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WHENCEFORE come ye out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and be a father unto you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

—II Cor. 6:17-18.

In this passage we have the breaking up of an old company and the forming of a new company and partnership.

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When the devil is a man's silent partner, he keeps that man in business until everything is lost.

The devil was a silent partner with the prodigal son. He kept him going

until he was in rags and eating with hogs.

If he is YOUR PARTNER, he will do the same for you.

Now the only hope for a man who is in business with a dishonest partner is to get rid of the partner and get a new partner. This is true spiritually as well as physically. I know of only One who is willing and able to come into a wrecked and a ruined life and help him to start over again. His name is Jesus.

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The friend listened to their story while he looked around the place. And then he said, "Listen, I don't wonder you can't get rid of the cloud left by that rascal. Why you still have his name over your door. Folks still believe you are in partnership with him. And here is his name on the desk of this new man who has come to take his

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Remember this. God cannot be a silent partner in your life. If He isn't ashamed of you, then why should you be ashamed of Him?

A lot of people's lives would be successful, if they changed partners and gave God a chance.

David went into partnership with God when he was just a shepherd boy and God made him a king.

Solomon went into partnership with God and God made him the wisest man in the world.

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No man ever failed who went into partnership with God.

Take Him into your "firm" today. Put it under new management. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose.

God knows best what is best for me,
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Where God Is Dethroned

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"But Stalin is now on the 'throne', and his name and 'glory' is widely known. He has bidden the people to celebrate, and has hit upon a most novel way of showing himself to the Russian people. This is done in the biggest 'picture show' the world has ever seen. By a clever arrangement of reflectors, his face is shown against the skies two kilometers long.

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"Stalin's mother died lately in her 78th year. It appears that she died as a Christian, but was denied a Christian burial. For twenty years she had not been in touch with the Church, but the 2nd of May she attended the Easter service at a Church in Tiflis which had

succeeded in remaining open. Her son was told of it, and removed her to a more remote residence, where her religious attitude would not be noised about so much. She willed her money to the Church in Tiflis, and asked for a simple wooden cross to mark her grave.

"When Stalin was convinced of that his mother had returned to her old faith, he decreed that she could no longer bear the name Stalin, and yet the son had inherited this name from honorable parents. Instead of respecting her last wishes, he confiscated all her property and cremated her body without any religious ceremony. The leader for her home Church was arrested under the pretext that he had influenced her into this decision.

"A terrible epidemic of suicide is raging in all Russia, and especially in Moscow. Never before has there been so many suicides in that Country. The anguish of fear for the G.P.U., for the long tyrannical 'trials', the eventual fearful prison or a fatal exile, if not execution, has driven unnumbered Soviet citizens to death by their own hand. Why wait?

"Sooner or later, they say, one will face execution or slow death, and then they prefer to make the misery short. This does not only apply to the people in general but also to the so called 'intelligentsia' and also the prominent men.

"Drinking is resorted to more and more as a means of drowning the anxiety, which may be deadened this way for a while, but comes back with renewed force, and overpowers the then weakened vitality and resistance, plunging its victim into hopeless destruction and perdition. How terrible it is to live without God and hope in this world!"

Philip Dru: Administrator

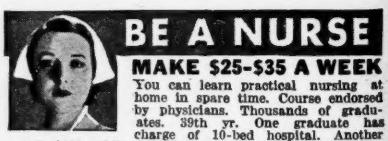
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